

PROCLAMATION

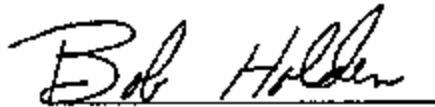
WHEREAS, by Senate Joint Resolution No. 29 the Ninety-Second General Assembly of the State of Missouri, in second regular session which convened on January 7, 2004, did direct that at the next general election to be held in the State of Missouri, on Tuesday next following the first Monday in November, 2004, or at a special election to be called by the Governor for that purpose, there is hereby submitted to the qualified voters of this state, for adoption or rejection, the following amendment to Article I of the Constitution of the State of Missouri:

Section A. Article I. Constitution of Missouri, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 33, to read as follows:

Section 33. That to be valid and recognized in this state, a marriage shall exist only between a man and a woman

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BOB HOLDEN, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the state of Missouri, and having noted the aforesaid action of the Missouri General Assembly as entered in its journal of May 14, 2004, do hereby call a special election to be held in this state on the 3rd day of August, 2004, to be conducted in the manner provided by law, at which special election there shall be submitted to the qualified voters, by its ballot title, the foregoing proposed amendment to the Constitution, the same to appear on a separate ballot without party designation, and to be so submitted as to enable the electors to vote on the proposed amendment separately, as required by Section 2(b) of Article XII of the Constitution of Missouri.

WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, in the City of Jefferson on this 19th day of May, 2004



Bob Holden
Governor

ATTEST:

Matt Blunt
Secretary of State

BH:j

Exhibit E